

RENTON CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

December 11, 2000
Monday, 7:30 p.m.

Council Chambers
Municipal Building

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jesse Tanner led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and called the meeting of the Renton City Council to order.

**ROLL CALL OF
COUNCILMEMBERS**

RANDY CORMAN, Council President; DON PERSSON; KING PARKER; TERRI BRIERE; KATHY KEOLKER-WHEELER; DAN CLAWSON; TONI NELSON.

**CITY STAFF IN
ATTENDANCE**

JESSE TANNER, Mayor; JAY COVINGTON, Chief Administrative Officer; ZANETTA FONTES, Assistant City Attorney; MARILYN PETERSEN, City Clerk; GREGG ZIMMERMAN, Planning/Building/Public Works Administrator; DEREK TODD, Assistant to the CAO; JIM SHEPHERD, Community Services Administrator; JERRY RERECICH, Recreation Manager; BETTY NOKES, Economic Development Director; DEPUTY CHIEF JOE PEACH, Police Department.

**APPROVAL OF
COUNCIL MINUTES**

MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL APPROVE THE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 4, 2000, AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.

**SPECIAL
PRESENTATIONS**

Parks: Rainer Yacht Club
Presentation

Jim Shepherd, Community Services Administrator, explained that along with the opening ceremony for Clam Lights at Gene Coulon Park, the Rainier Yacht Club conducts its annual parade of boats. He introduced Recreation Manager Jerry Rerecich, coordinator of the event. Mr. Rerecich reported that for the last five years, the Rainier Yacht Club has supported the City's annual Clam Lights event by decorating 12 to 15 yachts which arrive at Coulon Beach Park just as the Clam Lights are turned on. Mayor Tanner presented John Brady, Commodore of the Rainier Yacht Club, with a certificate of appreciation for the Club's efforts in decorating the yachts.

Parks: Business Committed to
Kids Award

Jerry Rerecich, Recreation Manager, explained that Communities in Schools is an organization that coordinates school, community, health, and volunteer services for the youth and their families in the Renton School District. He noted that many of the organization's successes can be attributed to the interest and collaboration of community businesses. Mr. Rerecich introduced Jay Leviton, Executive Director of Career and Life Skills for the Renton School District, who presented the most recent "Business Committed to Kids" award to the Cat's Eye Group. Mr. Leviton described the many ways the Cat's Eye Group supports Communities in Schools. Bob and Judy Dunn accepted the award on behalf of Cat's Eye Group. Mr. Dunn expressed his appreciation for the award and said that education is very important to them.

Streets: Oakesdale Ave SW
Temporary Closure for Pipeline
Installation Update

Gregg Zimmerman, Planning/Building/Public Works Administrator, updated the Mayor and Council on the progress of the pipe installation across SW 43rd St. He reported that all of the weekend work will be completed by December 12th at 5:00 a.m. at which time four lanes will be opened to traffic. The contractor will continue to conduct work at night which involves restricting SW 43rd St. to two lanes from 7:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.

Responding to Councilman Persson's inquiry, Mr. Zimmerman said he would find out when the contractor expects to open up all five lanes to traffic.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Chief Administrative Officer Jay Covington reviewed a written administrative report summarizing the City's recent progress towards goals and work programs adopted as part of its business plan for 2000 and beyond. Items noted included:

- ✱ The public is invited to enjoy the holiday lights display at Coulon Beach Park and Downtown Renton's Piazza Park through January 1, 2001.
- ✱ A meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 13th, in the Council Chambers to discuss potential flooding at the Maplewood Neighborhood during intense storm events, and steps that the City is taking to address this situation.
- ✱ Applications will be accepted through December 31st for *Christmas in April*, a program designed to repair homes free of charge for low-income homeowners, particularly the elderly and disabled.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items on the consent agenda are adopted by one motion which follows the listing.

CAG: 00-165, Monterey Dr.
NE & NE 3rd St Storm System
Replacement Project, Monarch
Excavating

City Clerk reported bid opening on 12/6/2000 for CAG-00-165, Monterey Dr. NE and NE 3rd St. Storm System Replacement Project; 16 bids; project estimate \$63,004.18; and submitted staff recommendation to award the contract to the low bidder, Monarch Excavating, Inc., in the amount of \$63,514.71. Council concur.

Court Case: Bellen

Court Case filed by Edward K. Le, 3701 S. Edmunds St., Seattle, 98118, on behalf of Plaintiffs Do and Roel Bellen, who seek the return of currency and property allegedly seized by the Renton Police Department on November 22, 2000. Refer to City Attorney and Insurance Services.

CAG: 00-096, Port Quendall
SEIS, Huckell/Weinman

Economic Development, Neighborhoods and Strategic Planning Department recommended approval of a contract amendment to CAG-00-096 with Huckell/Weinman Associates, Inc. for development funding to complete the Discipline Reports required as part of the environmental documentation for the Port Quendall Planned Action Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement. Council concur.

Plat: Dykeman, Union Ave NE
& NE 25th Pl (PP-00-101)

Hearing Examiner recommended approval, with conditions, of the Dykeman Preliminary Plat; 11 single family lots on 1.4 acres located at the corner of Union Ave. NE and NE 25th Pl. (PP-00-101). Council concur.

Rezone: Renton Municipal
Airport, W Perimeter Rd, P-1
to IM (R-00-076)

Hearing Examiner recommended approval of a City-sponsored rezone of Renton Municipal Airport; 167 acres located at 616 W. Perimeter Rd. from P-1 (Public Use) to IM (Industrial Medium) zone with a "P" suffix attached; File No. R-00-076. Council concur. (See page 442 for ordinance.)

Rezone: Vectra Property,
Monster Rd SW & Grady
Way, P-1 to IM (R-00-099)

Hearing Examiner recommended approval of a rezone of a 0.7 acre site located at Monster Rd. SW and Grady Way from P-1 (Public Use) to IM (Industrial Medium) zone; File No. R-00-099; Vectra LLC. Council concur. (See page 442 for ordinance.)

Human Resources: Healthcare
Plan Modifications

Human Resources & Risk Management Department requested approval of modifications to the City's healthcare plan effective 01/01/2001 as recommended by the Health Care Task Force. Recommendations include: increase the annual dental plan provision from \$1,250 to \$1,500; permit the vision benefit to cover laser eye surgery up to \$400 every two calendar years as an alternate to the current provisions; and allow employees married to other

City employees to coordinate dental benefits for themselves and their families. Refer to Finance Committee.

Municipal Court: Wesley E Etheridge, 2001 Probation Services

Municipal Court Division recommended approval of a contract with Wesley E. Etheridge for renewal of probation services for 2001 including increase of compensation by \$600 as included in the 2001 Budget, and addition of sections regarding indemnification, notice and work product. Refer to Finance Committee.

Utility: King County, Renton Guide to Waste Reduction & Recycling

Utility Systems Division recommended approval of an interlocal agreement with King County to receive non-matching grant funding in the amount of \$27,201 to produce the Renton Guide to Waste Reduction & Recycling brochure. Council concur. (See page 442 for resolution.)

MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE

Citizen Comment: Zimmerman – Aeropacific Aviation Request to Operate Aircraft Charter at Airport

Electronic mail was read from Theresa Zimmerman, 813 N. 1st St., Renton, 98055, requesting that the City deny any addition at the Renton Airport that will negatively impact the ability of residents to enjoy predictable periods of quiet.

Citizen Comment: Wolfe - Aeropacific Aviation Request to Operate Aircraft Charter at Airport

Electronic mail was read from Mary A. Wolfe, 2317 Camas Ave. NE, Renton, 98056, stating her opposition to Aeropacific Aviation's request for airport operating permit at the Renton Airport.

Citizen Comment: Franklin - Aeropacific Aviation Request to Operate Aircraft Charter at Airport

Electronic mail was read from Joseph M. Franklin, 311 NW 6th St., Renton, 98055, stating his opposition to increased jet traffic at the Renton Airport.

Citizen Comment: Wyman - Aeropacific Aviation Request to Operate Aircraft Charter at Airport

Electronic mail was read from Phil Wyman, RS, Senior Environmental Health Specialist at Seattle & King County Public Health, 1404 Central Ave. S., Suite 101, Kent, 98032, expressing his concerns regarding the increase in the noise level by the addition of jet commuter traffic at the Renton Airport. He advised that increased jet traffic may cause noise levels at Renton High School to exceed the maximum allowed, and he recommended that a noise level study be conducted for the school.

Citizen Comment: Shaver - Aeropacific Aviation Request to Operate Aircraft Charter at Airport

Electronic mail was read from Patrice Shaver, 2055 SE 8th Dr., Renton, 98055, stating that there will always be a problem with airport noise and her concern lies with making sure that the airplanes are maintained properly and fly at a safe distance above homes and business.

MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL REFER ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO THE TRANSPORTATION (AVIATION) COMMITTEE. CARRIED.

OLD BUSINESS

Transportation (Aviation) Committee

Streets: Burnett Ave S
Temporary Closure for Renton

Transportation Committee Chair Persson presented a report regarding the temporary closure of the southbound lane of Burnett Ave. S for construction of the Renton Transit Center. The Committee recommended that Council concur with the closure of one lane of Burnett Ave. S. between S. 2nd and S. 3rd Streets for a period of up to four months, and adopt the resolution authorizing the

Transit Center Construction	temporary closure. The closure will start on December 18, 2000, and southbound traffic will be restored no later than April 17, 2001. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED. (See page 442 for resolution.)
Airport: Action Aviation Fuel Spill Cleanup Debt	<p>Transportation Committee Chair Persson presented a report regarding Action Aviation's unpaid account. The Transportation (Aviation) Committee recommended that Action Aviation be allowed 90 days, from December 18th, 2000, through Monday, March 19th, 2001, for the payment of an outstanding debt to the City of \$6,077.66, which does not include accrued interest through September 30, 2000, of \$1,433.79. Such debt was incurred as the result of clean-up fees paid by the Airport as a result of vandalism in September 1998 of a fuel truck operated by Action Aviation on property leased from the City by the Boeing Employee Flying Association.</p> <p>The Committee further recommended that, if the \$6,077.66 has not been paid in full by Action Aviation by 2:00 p.m. on March 19th, 2001, the Boeing Employee Flying Association be billed for the outstanding debt.</p> <p>The Committee further recommended that if the payment is not made by the Boeing Employee Flying Association by 2:00 p.m. on April 20th, 2001, the total amount of \$6,077.66 plus \$1,433.79 interest through September 30, 2000, plus interest through April 20th, 2001, be turned over for collection by the City of Renton Finance Department. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.</p>
<u>Finance Committee</u> Finance: Vouchers	Finance Committee Chair Parker presented a report recommending approval of Claim Vouchers 187803 – 188453, and one wire transfer totaling \$3,075,328.13; and approval of Payroll Vouchers 28925 – 29155 and 524 direct deposits totaling \$1,017,141.14. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.
Finance: 2001 Property Tax Levy Ordinances	<p>Finance Committee Chair Parker presented a report recommending approval of three property tax ordinances. One establishes the levy rate to be the lesser of \$3.40 per \$1,000 of Assessed Valuation or a total tax levy of \$16,454,100. A second ordinance permits the City to increase the total tax levy by 5 percent. The third ordinance instructs the County that the City of Renton wants to protect their six percent limit in the future. The Committee recommended passage of the three ordinances with the understanding that the City is going to reserve \$800,000 in fund balance so the City will have the funds to rebate taxes, if Initiative 722 is found to be constitutional.</p> <p>The Committee further recommended that these ordinances be presented for first reading. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED. (See page 442 and 443 for ordinances.)</p> <p>Responding to Councilwoman Keolker-Wheeler's inquiry, Mayor Tanner said that the \$800,000 in reserve is in addition to the City's current "rainy day" fund.</p>
Parks: Maplewood Golf Course Greens Fees Increase	Finance Committee Chair Parker presented a report recommending adoption of an ordinance authorizing an increase of the Maplewood Golf Course greens fees. The Committee further recommended that the ordinance regarding this matter be presented for first reading. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT.

CARRIED. (See page 442 for ordinance.)

Utilities Committee

Utility: Aloha Ranch Div 2 Lot
Line Adjustment & Purchase of
Lot 8, NE 24th St

Utilities Committee Chair Clawson presented a report recommending concurrence in the Planning/Building/Public Works Department's recommendation that the Council authorize the purchase of Lot 8 of Aloha Ranch Division #2, King County Tax Lot #01922100080, for the price of \$19,000. This property contains the Devil's Elbow Lift Station's emergency generator building and the City currently holds an easement over the property. Funding for the purchase will be provided by the Wastewater Utilities 421 account. MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

**Community Services
Committee**

Appointment: Planning
Commission

Community Services Committee Chair Nelson presented a report recommending concurrence in the Mayor's appointment of Ray Giometti to the Planning Commission to fill Jeff Lukins' unexpired term that expires on January 31, 2001. MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY PARKER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

City Clerk: South County
Public Access Studio, AT&T

Community Services Committee Chair Nelson presented a report regarding the funding agreement with AT&T for a South King County public access studio. The Community Services Committee recommended that Council approve the proposed offer from AT&T to provide a lump sum buyout to six South King County cities, including Renton, in the amount of \$3.7 million to fund a South County public access facility. The buyout payment will fund remodeling and equipment costs and operating expenses for the facility over the next ten years, and will satisfy the obligations specified in Section 5 of the AT&T franchise agreement with the City (Ordinance No. 4412). The franchise requires AT&T to provide, equip and operate a public access studio within eight miles of City Hall by an extended deadline of January 1, 2001. Negotiations are continuing with the Renton School District regarding the use of space in Sartori School for the facility.

The Committee further recommended that the AT&T buyout agreement contain the following conditions: 1) that by an extended deadline of January 30, 2001, AT&T shall transfer the lump sum buyout in the amount of \$3,701,942.78 directly to the board of the newly-formed non-profit organization, consisting of designees from each member city; and 2) that AT&T shall continue to fund the salary for the interim facility director until the transfer of funds has been completed and the facility is complete and operational. By meeting these conditions, AT&T will have satisfied its franchise obligation with the City of Renton for provision of a public access facility. Should State approval of the non-profit organization be delayed beyond January 30, 2001, a reasonable extension for payment will be granted to AT&T.

The Committee recommended that the City Council authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the agreement between AT&T and the cities of Kent, Auburn, Tukwila, SeaTac and Burien to accept the buyout offer from AT&T to fund a South County public access facility, and adopt a resolution releasing AT&T from its franchise obligation to provide a public access facility. MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT.*

Responding to Councilwomen Keolker-Wheeler's inquiry concerning the structure and funding of the non-profit organization, City Clerk Marilyn Petersen said that once completed, articles of incorporation and by-laws will be brought back to the Council for review. She explained that the organization will initially consist of City representatives currently serving on the South County public access work group, and once the facility is operational, each city will designate its own member. Ms. Petersen added that the studio will be funded by AT&T for the next ten years, and future funding will be negotiated upon renewal of the AT&T franchise in 2008.

*MOTION CARRIED.

Councilwoman Nelson thanked Ms. Petersen and Jennifer Krebs, the public access studio's facility director, for their hard work in bringing this project to fruition.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Resolution #3482

Utility: King County, Renton
Guide to Waste Reduction &
Recycling

A resolution was read authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an interlocal agreement with King County concerning solid waste grant funding. **MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.**

Resolution #3483

Streets: Burnett Ave S
Temporary Closure for Renton
Transit Center Construction

A resolution was read authorizing the temporary closure of the southbound lane of Burnett Ave. S. between S. 2nd and S. 3rd Streets, for a period of four months, during the construction of the Renton Transit Center. **MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.**

The following ordinances were presented for first reading and referred to the Council meeting of 12/18/2000 for second and final reading:

Rezone: Renton Municipal
Airport, W Perimeter Rd, P-1
to IM (R-00-076)

An ordinance was read changing the zoning classification of Renton Municipal Airport, 167 acres located at 616 W. Perimeter Rd. from P-1 (Public Use) zone to the IM (Industrial Medium) zone with the public use "P" suffix attached. (Renton Municipal Airport Rezone; File No. R-00-076) **MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 12/18/2000 CARRIED.**

Rezone: Vectra Property,
Monster Rd SW & Grady
Way, P-1 to IM (R-00-099)

An ordinance was read changing the zoning classification of 0.7 acres of property located along Monster Rd. SW and Grady Way from P-1 (Public Use) zone to IM (Industrial Medium) zone. (Vectra LLC Rezone; File No. R-00-099) **MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 12/18/2000. CARRIED.**

Finance: Maplewood Golf
Course Greens Fees Increase

An ordinance was read amending Chapter 1, Fee Schedule, of Title V, Finance and Business Regulations of City Code by increasing golf course greens fees. **MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 12/18/2000. CARRIED.**

Finance: 2001 Property Tax
(Not to Exceed 6%)

An ordinance was read authorizing an increase not to exceed six percent (6%) in the regular property tax collections for year 2001. **MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR**

SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 12/18/2000. CARRIED.

Finance: 2001 Property Tax
Levy Limit Factor (106%)

An ordinance was read authorizing a one hundred six percent (106%) property tax levy limit factor for 2001 to protect the City's future property tax levy capacity. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 12/18/2000. CARRIED.

Finance: 2001 Property Tax
Levy

An ordinance was read establishing the property tax levy for the year 2001 for both general purposes and for voter approved bond issues. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 12/18/2000. CARRIED.

The following ordinances were presented for second and final reading and adoption:

Ordinance #4880

Rezone: Gene Coulon Park,
Lake Washington Blvd, P-1 to
R-1 (R-00-057)

An ordinance was read changing the zoning classification of Gene Coulon Park, approximately 55.33 acres located at 1323 Lake Washington Blvd., from P-1 (Public Use) to R-1 (Residential Single Family; one dwelling unit per acre) zone. (File No. R-00-057) MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

Ordinance #4881

Utility: Stormwater &
Wastewater Rates

An ordinance was read amending 8-2-2.G and 8-2-3.E.1 of Chapter 2, Storm and Surface Water Drainage, and Section 8-5-15.D of Chapter 5, Sewers, of Title VIII (Health and Sanitation) of City Code by revising stormwater and wastewater utility rates. MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

Council: 2001 Council
President Election (Clawson)

Council President Corman opened nominations for 2001 Council President.

MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL ELECT COUNCILMAN DAN CLAWSON AS COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOR 2001. CARRIED.

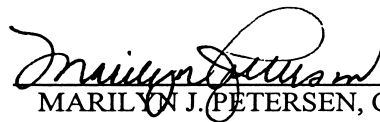
Council: 2001 Council
President Pro Tem (Nelson)

Council President Corman opened nominations for 2001 Council President Pro Tem.

MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL ELECT COUNCILWOMAN NELSON AS COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM FOR 2001. CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED. Time: 8:31 p.m.



MARILYN J. PETERSEN, CMC, City Clerk